

Long-Distance Swimmers to Fight It Out in Race Over the Classic Course from the Battery to Sandy Hook Next July

Three Trophies Offered by The Tribune for Test of Aquatic Skill.

STRONG FIELD SURE TO TOE THE MARK

American Life Saving Society and Amateur Athletic Union to Lend Their Help.

Charles Durboro and Sam Richards, who friends have been snapping at each other for six months, will settle their little differences on or about July 15 and in company, too, with other amateurs, who aspire to the long-distance swimming honors in The Tribune Marathon Swim.

Appreciating the widespread demand for a conclusive test, under proper supervision, The Tribune offers three valuable trophies for a race over the difficult and classic course from the Battery to Sandy Hook next summer.

Long-distance swimming has come to be the most popular branch of water sports, but followers of the sport are all at sea. Doubts have been cast on the performance of the best distance swimmers, while comparisons of records are usually inconclusive, owing to the widely differing conditions met day by day over the same course.

The many disputes aired in the newspapers and the numerous letters received by The Tribune on the subject during the last few months indicate clearly that opinions vary greatly as to the standing of the leading swimmers and that every one is eager, the swimmers themselves included, to determine in the only decisive way—through competition—the point of issue.

A. A. U. Rules To Be Strictly Followed.

The rules of the Amateur Athletic Union will be strictly adhered to, as the race will be conducted under its sanction. The Wabbe, chairman of the swimming committee, has consented to act in the capacity of referee, and all questions will be referred to him for decision, that the honor of the governing body may be preserved in every detail. All entrants must be registered with the union, and their standing will be thoroughly investigated before they are allowed to start.

The American Life Saving Society will cooperate with The Tribune in managing the contest, and its officers and members have offered their services both to help make the race a success and to give aid in case of accident.

Course for the Race.

In selecting the difficult Sandy Hook course it has been deemed advisable to place in the hands of qualified experts, the task of charting a definite route, which all contestants will be obliged to follow. This in fact, seems an absolute necessity, not only in order to establish uniform conditions, but also to defeat any attempt on the part of some unscrupulous competitor to take unfair advantage of his rivals by being towed or receiving other unwarranted assistance.

As will be readily understood, it would be a conclusive test if the swimmers were allowed to separate and go where they pleased nor would it be possible, otherwise, to properly supervise the race. Every effort will be directed, however, at picking the route which promises to facilitate reaching the goal. Pilots, swimmers familiar with New York Bay and the course will be consulted by the committee two weeks before the day of the race, accompanied by a fee of \$10 as a guarantee of appearance. This fee will be returned to all starters.

The race will be held irrespective of weather conditions, unless all candidates consent to a postponement and agree to then and there on a future date. This provision is necessary to protect the interest of town swimmers, who may find it impossible to lengthen their stay indefinitely, in the event of a postponement.

Any suggestions from prospective entrants or others interested in the race will be gladly received and have due consideration if made without delay. The spoken rules have been drafted tentatively by competent authorities, but changes will be made if advisable.

ATHLETIC FEAST FOR NAVY

Midshipmen Win Four Out of Five Dual Meetings.

Annapolis, Feb. 21.—Cornell's wrestling team, Pennsylvania's basketball team, Georgetown's basketball five and the Haverford College swimming team were defeated by teams of the Naval Academy here today.

The only Navy team that lost was the fencing squad, which was defeated, 7 bouts to 2, by the foils men of the New York Athletic Club.

The midshipmen won six of the seven wrestling bouts, making a total of 27 points to Cornell's 4, on a basis of 3 for a fall and 4 for a decision on points. The gymnasium meet was won by 24 points to 20 points.

Title Hangs in the Balance.

Not the least of the long distance swimmers can hope to triumph over such heavy odds, and that is as it should be. For the race will be a championship contest. There will be no denying the right of title to the man who, fearing not to put himself against all comers, goes out and wins under fair and equal conditions and has officials of national repute to vouch for his victory. It is one thing to attack more or less authentic records in the newspapers, and another to face worthy opponents in actual competition, good weather or foul, and try to take their measure.

That, after all, is the only true test.

And because it is realized that reaching the goal will depend largely on conditions at the time of the race, The Tribune will award the prizes whether the course is completed or not. Should the swimmers fail to land at Sandy Hook the trophies will be presented to the first contestants who come nearest to making the swim. The naming of the winners will be left to the appointed judges.

Safety a Strong Factor.

The safety of the contestants will be guarded in every way. The medical staff of the American Life Saving Society will

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Many Swimmers Join in Praising Test of Tribune

Bud Goodwin Says the Race Will Prove a Boon to Amateur Sports.

SANDY HOOK COURSE MEETS WITH FAVOR

Durboro Says Contest Will Be One of Speed Rather than of Endurance.

The Tribune Marathon swim over the Battery to Sandy Hook course has been quickly followed by many of the leading followers of water sports.

Bud Goodwin, of the New York Athletic Club, the one and five mile American champion, said on hearing of the proposed race:

"I congratulate The Tribune. Nothing better could be done in the interest of amateur athletics. Long distance swimming has become a joke, with every Tom, Dick and Harry claiming sensational feats, at times absolutely unprovoked, and a competitive test is the only way of restoring public confidence in the game. I am heartily in favor of the race, and may take a shot myself at those trophies if other engagements don't prevent it."

Mr. Brennan, president of the American Life Saving Society, remarked when asked to co-operate with The Tribune:

"I will be delighted. The idea of a Sandy Hook race had occurred to me as the best means of putting an end to the regrettable squabbles entered over the ability of the several claimants to supremacy, and I will gladly do all in my power to make the event a success."

Charles Durboro, of Philadelphia, writes:

"The course is one which requires more speed than endurance, and I should prefer one taking twelve or more hours to cover, but I realize the worthiness of the attempt to standardize distance swimming, and will not fail to put in an appearance."

From H. May, the well known Pittsburgh expert, comes the following:

"The race should be the greatest ever held, and the laying out of a definite course is an excellent plan, for it will make results fair and conclusive. The public is anxious to find out who is entitled to supreme honors, and such a test will tell. I have no doubt that Pittsburgh will be represented by a couple of swimmers who will cause some hustling."

And this from a Boston authority:

"The Tribune acted wisely in selecting the Sandy Hook course. It has come into such prominence of late that every swimmer of ambition now wants to give it a trial. I believe, however, that the contestants should have some say about the charting of the route, for most of the prospective entrants are familiar with it. As to entries from here, it is probable that Richards and Wise, and possibly one or two others, will want to start."

Commodore Alfred Brown, the professional champion and the first man to make the Sandy Hook swim and to span the Panama Canal from ocean to ocean, said:

"I consider the rules and regulations well thought out. They should prove most satisfactory to the contestants. As to the course, it is well chosen for the purpose. It requires both speed and stamina to cover. You can't float down to Sandy Hook. It's a case of swimming hard all the way, and particularly in going the last stretch against the tide."

"Some one has compared the swim to the crossing of the English Channel, and not without reason. It is a shorter trip, actually, but in the Channel you don't have to fight the awful currents of the Lower Bay—not head on, anyhow. We will surely know who's who, after the race."



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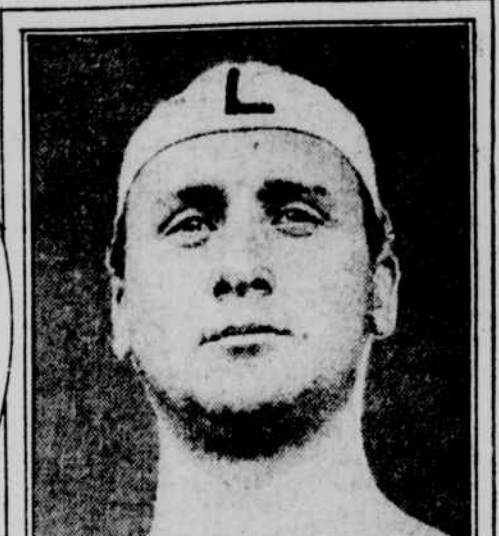
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TWO TREATS FOR THE SOCCER FANS

America and Scotland and Continentals and Ireland to Clash.

Two international soccer games, under the direction of the New York Football Protective Association, are scheduled for to-morrow afternoon at Lenox Oval, 145th street and Lenox avenue, and four exceptionally strong teams are expected to take the field.

In addition to the game between America and Scotland, there will be a replay of the game between Ireland and the Continentals, which tied at four goals all in their first meeting. F. Maskehl, secretary of the Footballers' Association, yesterday gave out the lists of players who will make up the four teams, as follows:

America—Carney, J. Robertson, T. Fisher, Lennox, Waldron, Ingram, Zehnbauer, C. Fisher, E. Newman, Cooper and Knowles.
Scotland—Porter, Harper, Kidd, Kerr, McCann, Dye, Isaac, McQueen, Petrie, Young and Salmon.
Ireland—Williams, McNeill, Waters, Best, Douras, Gamble, Hutchinson, McBride, Fleming, Dixon and Goodman.
Continental—Bilman, M. Vandeweghe, Glaser, Reinwagen, Hakar, Eriksen, Bleich, A. Vandeweghe, Maniburg, J. Vandeweghe and W. Sleyer.

C. E. Creighton will referee the America-Scotland game, and W. Erskine will officiate in the one between Ireland and the Continentals.

At Marquette Oval, in Brooklyn, the Brooklynians expect to have the snow cleared away for their National League game with Bronx United to-morrow afternoon. The only game scheduled for to-day is the Amateur League match at Lenox Oval between the New York Celtics and Yonkers.

Games will be played in the National Soccer Football League to-day and to-morrow. The True Blues, of Paterson, will meet the Jersey City Athletic Club at the Jersey City baseball park to-day, while to-morrow the latter team will encounter the Scottish Americans, of Newark, at the same grounds.

KAHANAMOKU BOWS TO SMALL IN DASH

California Swimmer Equals the World's Record for Fifty Yards at Honolulu.

Honolulu, Feb. 21.—Robert Small, of the Olympic club, San Francisco, defeated the world's champion short distance swimmer, Duke Kahanamoku, here to-day at fifty yards, equalling the champion's world record of 23.5 seconds.

In the 100-yard dash Kahanamoku had his revenge, defeating Small, who finished second, in 54.6 seconds.

In the 400 yards Kahanamoku won again, with Lincoln Johnson, a one-legged swimmer, second.

In the 220 Kahanamoku was again first, with George Cunha second and Lincoln Johnson third.

Kahanamoku was not crowded in either of the last two events, and, not having to extend himself, made merely good enough time to win handily.

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Robert Small, who defeated Duke Kahanamoku, the world's champion short distance swimmer at fifty yards to-day is about twenty years old, a native of California, who has been swimming the fifty yards in world's record time and is looked on by the coach for the Olympic club as the next world's champion.

Although a member of the Olympic club Small swam unattached to-day, as he joined the club less than a year ago. While recently in the East on business he became a member of the Pittsburgh Athletic Club. A team of five swimmers from the Olympic club recently went to Honolulu to compete at the mid-Pacific winter carnival.

NEW RECORDS BY WESTERN ATHLETES

One World's and Four Coast Marks Made at Olympic Club Meet.

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—One world's record and four Pacific Coast records were broken last night at the Olympic Club's annual indoor track and field meet.

Pat Donovan, of the Pastime Club, established a new mark of 16 feet 11 inches for the 56-pound weight for height. E. Giffen, of the Olympic Club, made a new Coast record in the 75-yard dash. Time, 6:37.45.

R. L. Murray, of Stanford, lowered the 600-yard coast record. Time, 1:35.25. Oliver Millard, of the Olympic Club, lowered the two-mile coast record. Time, 9:45.25.

John H. Case, Olympic Club, established a new Coast record in the 75-yard low hurdles. Time, 0:55.45.

ASTON VILLA WINS THIRD SOCCER TIE

Defeats West Bromwich Albion and Advances Into Fourth Round.

LONDON CLUBS FAIL TO HOLD POSITIONS

Several Desperately Fought Matches Mark Play Throughout Great Britain.

(By Cable to The Tribune.)

London, Feb. 21.—Great excitement prevailed throughout the country to-day owing to the third round play of the English soccer cup ties. Fifty thousand people assembled on the ground of the Aston Villa Club to see that team play the famous West Bromwich Albion. After ninety minutes' exciting play the present cup holders entered the fourth round by the close margin of 2 to 1.

London clubs were expected to give a good account of themselves, but Millwall, unexpectedly lost to Sheffield United, 4 to 0, and West Ham United only drew with Liverpool, 1 to 1, so that the Queens Park Rangers, by their fine win over Birmingham away from home, carry the confidence of the South of England into the next round. They are the only southern club left in the competition, as West Ham will surely find Liverpool a difficult team to beat away from home.

The results follow:

Aston Villa..... 2 W. Bromwich Albion 1
Sheffield United..... 4 Millwall 0
Sheffield Wednesday..... 2 Brighton and Hove..... 1
Sunderland..... 2 Preston North End..... 0
Queens Pk. Rangers..... 3 Birmingham 1
Manchester City..... 2 Blackburn Rovers..... 1
West Ham United..... 1 Liverpool 1
Burnley..... 3 Bolton Wanderers..... 0

Only two first division league games were down to be played, and only one change is noticeable in the table from last week. Oldham Athletic, by drawing their game with Newcastle United, jump into third place. The Derby County team gets two places away from the bottom by beating Everton, 1-0.

The results follow:

Derby County..... 1 Everton 0
Newcastle United..... 1 Oldham Athletic..... 0
Woolwich Arsenal..... 2 Lincoln City..... 1
Blackpool..... 2 Notts Forest..... 1
Glossop..... 2 Stockport County..... 1
Nottingham Forest..... 2 Clapton Orient..... 1
Wolverhampton W..... 2 Clapton Orient..... 1
Hull City..... 1 Leeds City..... 0
Barnsley..... 2 Bradford City..... 0
Pulham..... 1 Bradford..... 0

The Crystal Palace players are tightening their grip on first position in the Southern League, and it will be hard for any other club to dislodge them at present. To beat Merthyr Town away from home is a feat which few clubs can boast of, and the two points gained to-day entitle them to rank as worthy leaders.

The runners-up, Swindon Town, easily disposed of Watford, 3-0, on their own ground, and Cardiff City, by beating two Welsh City by the same score, move up two places in the table. Plymouth Argyle entertained Southampton before a big crowd and a desperate game ended in a draw, each side finding the net once.

The complete results follow:

Bristol Rovers..... 0 Coventry City..... 0
Bristol City..... 0 Crystal Palace..... 1
Plymouth Argyle..... 1 Southampton..... 1
Exeter City..... 1 Gillingham..... 0
Preston North End..... 2 Watford..... 0
Swindon Town..... 3 Watford..... 0
Cardiff City..... 2 Norwich City..... 0

The positions to date are as follows:

LEAGUE I..... Goals.

Blackburn Rovers..... 11 W. L. D. For Ag. Pts.
Sunderland..... 12 8 4 47 26 37
Oxford United..... 12 5 8 28 25 29
Bolton Wanderers..... 12 5 8 28 25 29
Aston Villa..... 12 5 8 28 25 29
Bradford City..... 9 4 11 27 29
Manchester United..... 9 4 11 27 29
Barnsley..... 9 4 11 27 29
W. Bromwich Albion..... 9 4 11 27 29
Middlesbrough..... 9 4 11 27 29
Newcastle United..... 9 4 11 27 29
Everton..... 9 4 11 27 29
Sheffield Wednesday..... 9 4 11 27 29
Sheffield United..... 9 4 11 27 29
Tottenham Hotspur..... 9 4 11 27 29
Liverpool..... 9 4 11 27 29
Derby County..... 9 4 11 27 29
Preston North End..... 9 4 11 27 29

LEAGUE II..... Goals.

Notts County..... 11 W. L. D. For Ag. Pts.
Woolwich Arsenal..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Hull City..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Leeds City..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Reading..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Plymouth Argyle..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
West Ham United..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Northampton..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
Preston North End..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
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SOUTHERN LEAGUE..... Goals.

Crystal Palace..... 11 W. L. D. For Ag. Pts.
Swindon Town..... 12 7 5 29 27 45
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With the third round of the cup ties down for decision, Scotland also reached a high state of excitement to-day.

The powerful Celtic club easily knocked out Forfar Athletic, but the Rangers disappointed their supporters by falling before Hibernians, 2 to 1, away from home.

Partick Thistle did splendidly to win their away tie with Kilmarnock, 4 to 1, and Third Lanark accounted for Raith Rovers by the same score.

The draw for the fourth round will take place on Tuesday next at Glasgow, and will be played on March 7.

The results follow:

Hibernians..... 1 Rangers..... 0
Third Lanark..... 1 Raith Rovers..... 1
Partick Thistle..... 1 Kilmarnock..... 1
St. Mirren..... 1 Queen's Park..... 1
Motherwell..... 2 Aberdeen..... 0
Celtic..... 4 Forfar Athletic..... 0

Tentative Rules for The Tribune Marathon Swim

First—The race shall be called THE TRIBUNE MARATHON SWIM.

Second—The course shall be from the Battery to Sandy Hook, over a route to be laid out by the committee, and all contestants must follow said route until in a line with Homer Shoals, when free choice of way probably will be allowed.

Third—Three valuable trophies are offered for first, second and third to reach Sandy Hook, or, failing that, the water.

Fourth—Rowboats to accompany every starter over the course shall be provided by the committee, each manned by an expert lifesaver, who shall act as inspector and give assistance in case of need. The contestants must furnish one oarsman piece, and may appoint two of their own choice, not more.

Fifth—Entrants shall submit to medical examination before the start, and the right is reserved to declare ineligible any candidate pronounced physically out of condition by the official examiners.

Sixth—No contestant shall be allowed to receive assistance after starting, under penalty of disqualification. Food and drink may be taken.

Seventh—Entries shall be in the hands of the committee two weeks before the day of the race, accompanied by a fee of \$10. Fee will be returned to all starters.

Eighth—Race shall be held irrespective of weather conditions, unless all contestants consent to a postponement and can agree then and there on a future date.